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In the Specification:

Please delete paragraphs [0012] and [0019].

Please replace paragraph [0027] with the following amended paragraph:

[0027] Fig. 1a shows a frame structure 3 according to the invention. This comprises linear elements 2 which are brought together at corner points 10. Areas 4 can be seen which are delimited or enclosed by linear elements 2. The frame structure shown in Fig. 1a is the frame structure of a control panel [[4]] 1 for an automotive vehicle.

Please replace paragraph [0031] with the following amended paragraph:

[0031] This is clear from the section shown in Fig. 1c along the cutting plane A. Here it can be seen how the plastic sheet elements 5 are injected around the U-shaped cross-section such that only the open flank of the "U" is open towards the outside. Thus, it is possible, for example, to position cables 11 etc. inside the U. Naturally also closure elements, which are not shown, can later be provided at the open side of the U in order to prevent the cables 11 from slipping out. The plastic sheet elements comprise a polyolefin composite material, here PP3OLFG, i.e. a polypropylene with inserted fibres which have a length of 10 mm (in the injection-moulding method) and 25 mm (in the compression-moulding method).

Please replace paragraph [0043] with the following amended paragraph:

[0043] The control panel according to the invention has the advantage that, as a result of its inherent stability, (i.e. on account of the frame structure) it is significantly more stable than previously control panels. It can be connected directly to the end wall 12 (as illustrated in Fig. 1b) and/or the body of an automotive vehicle. It is no longer necessary to support the control panel according to the invention on a cross-member of the automotive vehicle. It should be noted that the end wall 12 shown in Fig. 1b is only exemplary. Those skilled in the art will understand that the end wall 12 may extend further in all three dimensions.